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SUBJ: ISLAMIC FONMINISTERS CONFERENCE: RESOLUTION CALLING
FOR EXPULSION OF ISRAEL FROM UN

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1. I GOT BACK IN TOUCH WITH MFA DIR GEN SEMIH GUNVER
FOLLOWING DISPATCH OF REFTEL IN ORDER TO PIN DOWN ONE ADDITI
NAL
POINT. I SAID I UNDERSTOOD AND HAD REPORTED TO WASHINGTON THAT
TURK DELEGATION A) DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE FORMULATION OF THE
ISRAEL-UN RESOLUTION IN THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND B) WAS
NOT REPEAT NOT PRESENT WHEN THIS RESOLUTION WAS DISCUSSED ON
THE FLOOR OF THE RECENT ISLAMIC FONMINISTERS CONFERENCE. WHAT I
WANTED TO BE ABSOLUTELY SURE OF, I SAID, WAS THAT TURKEY DID NOT
PARTICIPATE IN A VOTE OF ACCLAMATION FOR ALL THE RESOLUTIONS
--- SOMETHING WHICH I HAD HEARD ASSERTED HAD
TAKEN PLACE AFTER DISCUSSION
OF ALL 16 RESOLUTIONS HAD BEEN COMPLETED AND AFTER THE TURK
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DELEGATION HAD RETURNED TO THE CONFERENCE FLOOR. GUNVER ASSURED ME

THAT THERE WAS NO ACTION
EN BLOC CONCERNING ALL THE RESOLUTIONS,
THAT EACH RESOLUTION WAS DISCUSSED AND ADOPTED SERIATIM
AND HE REPEATED THAT THE TURK DELEGATION WAS NOT
PRESENT IN THE ROOM WHEN THE CONFERENCE VOTED ON THE ISRAELI-
UN EXPULSION RESOLUTION.

2. AT THIS POINT GUNVER ASKED ME WHETHER THE USG WAS
NOW SATISFIED AS A RESULT OF WHAT HE HAD TOLD ME. I SAID I
WAS SATISFIED THAT THE GOT WAS NOT REPEAT NOT COMMITTED BY
THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE ACTION TO VOTE FOR ISRAELI
EXPLUSION BUT WHAT I HAD NOT YET HEARD ANY TURKISH OFFICIALS
SAY WAS HOW IN FACT THE TURKS WOULD VOTE WHEN THE ISSUE WAS
RAISED. (WHEN I EXPLORED THIS POINT EARLIER WITH MFA SEC GEN
ELEKDAG, HE HAD SAID CAUTIOUSLY "THAT MATTER WILL HAVE TO
BE CONSIDERED" WHILE AT THE SAME TIME REFERRING TO TURKEY'S
TRADITIONAL STANCE AGAINST SUCH ACTION). GUNVER'S RESPONSE, HOWEVER,
WAS UNEQUIVOCAL: "OF COURSE WE ARE GOING TO VOTE AGAINST THE
RESOLUTION BUT FOR THE DELICATE REASONS MENTIONED IN OUR LAST
CONVERSATION (REFTEL) WE ARE NOT GOING TO SAY SO PUBLICLY NOW."
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